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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 461

By Kelsey

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article XI, Section 12 of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to education.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article XI, Section 12, of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

The State of Tennessee recognizes the inherent value of education and encourages its support. The General Assembly shall ensure that every student has the opportunity to attend a free public school and shall provide other educational opportunities it deems valuable. The General Assembly shall have full discretion to determine the funding and eligibility for public schools. The General Assembly may establish and support such post-secondary educational institutions, including public institutions of higher learning, as it determines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing be referred to the One Hundred Tenth General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk of the senate is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the secretary of state.